Research Report Rubric

You will use this rubric to grade your report, so keep these categories in mind as you write.

	Advanced 4 points	Proficient 3 points	Developing 2 points	Beginning 1 point
Identifying information	Your name, your teacher's name, the course name, the date, title, no errors	Evidence of 3 of those	Evidence of 2 of those	Evidence of 1 of those
Thesis statement	Clearly states the paper's purpose in a complete sentence; draws the reader in/ makes them think	Clearly states the paper's purpose in a complete sentence	States the paper's purpose in a complete sentence	Paper's purpose is unclear or unfocused
Introduction	Draws the reader in, states the main topic, previews the paper	States the main topic, previews the paper	State the main topic, does not preview the paper	There is no clear main topic or structure to the paper
Body	Each paragraph has details that develop the main idea	Each paragraph somewhat develops the main idea	Each paragraph lacks detail sentences	Each paragraph fails to develop the main idea
Organization/ structure	Smooth transitions, well-developed paragraphs, well-organized paper	Paragraph development is present, but not perfect	Organization of ideas not fully developed	No structure or organization is evident
Conclusion	Draws the reader in and restates the thesis	Restates the thesis	Does not adequately restate the thesis	Incomplete or missing
Mechanics	No errors in grammar, spelling, or punctuation	Few errors in grammar, spelling, or punctuation	Several errors in grammar, spelling, or punctuation	Many errors in grammar, spelling, or punctuation
Usage	Word usage and sentence structure is appropriate and error-free	Few errors in word usage and sentence structure	Several errors in word usage and sentence structure	Many errors in word usage and sentence structure
Citation	All citations are done following MLA formatting and are error-free	Some citations are done following MLA formatting; few errors	Few citations are done following MLA formatting and there are many errors	Citations are absent
Works Cited page	Follows MLA formatting with no errors; includes 5 or more major references with no more than 2 internet sources (online periodicals are not considered internet sources)	Follows MLA formatting with few errors; includes 5 major references with no more than 2 internet sources	Follows MLA formatting with some errors; includes 4 major references with no more than 2 internet sources	Follows MLA formatting with many errors; includes 3 major references, but no more than two internet sites.